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SUBJECT: MAY 12 MEETING OF US-SPANISH COUNCIL--ANNOTATED AGENDA

FOLLOWING IS AGENDA FOR COUNCIL MEETING ANNOTATED TO SUGGEST ORDER IN WHICH VARIOUS MATTERS WILL BE TREATED AND WHICH ISSUES WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED BY SPANISH: BEGIN TEXT:

ANNOTATED AGENDA
U.S.-SPANISH COUNCIL
MAY 12, 1977

(SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION WILL BE USED.)

I. OPENING REMARKS.

(ALL INTERVENTIONS EXPECTED TO BE BRIEF.)

A. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS BY FOREIGN MINISTER OREJA.

(OREJA WILL USE OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE OTHER PRINCIPAL SPANISH OFFICIALS AT THE TABLE.)

(SPANISH CONSIDER OCTOBER 1 MEETING OF THE COUNCIL TO HAVE BEEN AN "INAUGURAL" MEETING, AND THIS MEETING AT THE COUNCIL'S SEAT IN MADRID TO BE THE FIRST OF THE REGULAR ("AT LEAST SEMIANNUAL") MEETINGS PROVIDED FOR IN THE TREATY.)

B. REPLY BY THE SECRETARY.

(THE SECRETARY MAY WISH TO
--EXPRESS PLEASURE AT PM SUAREZ' VISIT TO WASHINGTON AND AT SEEING OREJA AGAIN HERE;

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--INTRODUCE WASHINGTON PARTICIPANTS;
--INDICATE SATISFACTION AT THIS FIRST OPPORTUNITY JOINTLY TO REVIEW THE WORK OF THE EXTENSIVE STRUCTURE WHICH HAS BEEN CREATED UNDER THE TREATY, UNDER THE DAY-TO-DAY GUIDANCE OF THE PERMREPS (UNDERSECRETARY SOLANO AND AMBASSADOR STABLER);
--EXPRESS SYMPATHY AT THE UNTIMELY DEATH AT THE END OF APRIL

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OF LT. GENERAL CARLOS FERNANDEZ VALLESPIN--USE DOUBLE LAST NAME FERNANDEZ VALLESPIN. HE WAS PERMANENT MILITARY REPRESENTATIVE ON THE COUNCIL AND CO-CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT MILITARY COMMITTEE IN HIS CAPACITY AS PRESIDENT OF THE JUNTA OF CHIEFS OF STAFF OF SPAIN.)
C. OPENING REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE JUNTA OF CHIEFS OF STAFF.
(INCUMBENTS ALSO SERVE AS CHIEF OF THE HIGH GENERAL STAFF; NEITHER POSITION IS MORE THAN AN APPROXIMATE EQUIVALENT OF OUR CHIEF OF THE JCS. AS OF MAY 8, THE POSITION REMAINS VACANT; ACTING IS NAVAL CHIEF OF STAFF ADMIRAL CARLOS BUHIGAS GARCIA--LAST NAME BHIGAS.)
D. REPLY BY GENERAL BROWN.

II. REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION.
A. REVIEW OF THE REPORT OF THE PERMANENT SECRETARIAT, TRANSMITTING REPORTS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEES AND OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION WITH NATO.
1. PERMANENT SECRETARIES' REPORT.
(THIS WILL PROBABLY READ BY SPANISH PERMSEC CUERVO. IT CALLS ATTENTION TO ISSUES IN SEPARATE REPORTS RAISED BY THE JOINT MILITARY AND ECONOMIC COMMITTEES AND BY THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION WITH NATO. THE REPORT ITSELF CALLS FOR NO DISCUSSION.)
2. JOINT MILITARY COMMITTEE (SEE TEXT OF REPORT).
(THIS REPORT RECOMMENDS FIXING A SPECIFIC DATE FOR INAUGURATION OF THE COMBINED MILITARY COORDINATION AND PLANNING STAFF. GENERAL BROWN AND HIS COUNTERPART WILL
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HAVE DISCUSSED THIS AT THE MEETING OF THE JOINT MILITARY COMMITTEE IMMEDIATELY PRIOR AND WILL BE PREPARED TO MAKE SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS. TO HIGHLIGHT GHIS ITEM ON THE AGENDA, IT IS ALSO LISTED SEPARATELY AS ITEM II.B.)
(GENERALS LLOSA AND MCCLELLAN MIGHT ALSO BE CALLED ON TO AMPLIFY THE INITIAL WORK PROGRAM ENVISAGED FOR THE STAFF.)
3. AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION WITH NATO.
(SPANISH PERMANENT SECRETARY CUERVO WILL PROBABLY READ THIS REPORT.)
(PROVIDED FOR IN THE TREATY, IN ORDER TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COUNCIL, THE COMMITTEE WAS ESTABLISHED ON FEB. 9 AND MET FOR THE FIRST TIME ON MAY 2. THIS PACE REFLECTS SPANISH DESIRES, AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE REPORT ARE ESSENTIALLY SPANISH INITIATIVES. THESE RECOMMENDATIONS CALL FOR
--MORE DIRECT CONTACTS WITH NATO;
--A MORE INTENSIVE INFORMATION COLLECTION AND STUDY EFFORT, BOTH ON THE ALLIANCE AND ON THE IMPACT OF

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CLOSER SPANISH-ALLIANCE TIES ON OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS
UNDER THE TREATY; AND
--BRIEFINGS OF THE COMMITTEE BY U.S. EXPERTS, IN PARTICULAR
ON MINISTERIAL MEEGINGS.
THE SECRETARY MAY WISH TO
--ENDORSE THESE ACTIVITIES, WHILE ELICITING SPANISH
INITIATIVES;
--EXPRESS THE HOPE THAT THE SPANISH MILITARY WILL TAKE
ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLACE A LIAISON
OFFICER AT EUCOM;
--NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE A BRIEF SEMINAR ON NATO AT THE
SPANISH NATIONAL WAR COLLEGE (CESEDEN), JUNE 6-8,
DRAWING ON US EXPERTS AT OUR NATO MISSION. THIS FOLLOWS
UP ON A CESEDEN STUDY ON NATO CARRIED OUT LAST FALL,
THE CONCLUSIONS OF WHICH WERE ESSENTIALLY POSITIVE.)

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4. JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE (SEE TEXT OF REPORT).
(THIS IS LARGELY A REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE'S ONE MEETING,
IN MARCH. OREJA IS LIKELY TO SUGGEST THAT THE WORK OF
THIS COMMITTEE BE INTENSIFIED, IN LIGHT OF THE IMPORTANCE
TO SPAIN OF SPECIFIC BILATERAL TRADE COMPLAINTS. THE
SECRETARY MAY WISH TO
--NOTE THAT ON BOTH SIDES SPECIFIC TRADE ISSUES MUST
OFTEN BE DEALT WITH THROUGH CHANNELS ESTABLISHED BY
LEGISLATION AND MULTILATERAL AGREEMENT, BUT THAT THIS
JOINT COMMITTEE CAN PLAY A HELPFUL CONSULTATIVE ROLE.
--REVIEW PRESIDENT CARTER'S RECENT DECISION ON SHOE
IMPORTS AS AN ILLUSTRATION OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S
COMMITMENT TO OPEN TRADING.)
5. JOINT COMMITTEE FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL
COOPERATION (SEE TEXT OF REPORT).
(THIS COMMITTEE IS WORKING ACTIVELY TO PUT TOGETHER,

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FOR APPROVAL AT A MEEGING ON MAY 16, WHICH MRS. MINK
WILL ATTEND, THE FIRST COOPERATIVE RESEARCH PROGRAMS
UNDER THE TREATY, DRAWING ON THE $4.6 MILLION ANNUAL
FUNDING BY THE U.S. THESE FIRST PROGRAMS ARE EXPECTED
TO BE IN SUCH FIELDS AS SOLAR ENERGY, OCEANOGRAPHY,
AND AGRICULTURE. THIS REPORT RAISES NO ISSUES REQUIRING
DISCUSSION.)
6. JOINT EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (SEE
TEXT OF REPORT.)
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(PREPARATIONS ARE WELL ADVANCED IN THIS COMMITTEE FOR A
NEW ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE TO MANAGE THE $2.4 MILLION
ANNUAL PROGRAM. THE RESULTS OF THE FIRST WIDE PUBLIC
SOLICITATION OF PROPOSALS IN SPAIN ARE NOW UNDER REVIEW
BOTH IN THIS FIELD AND THAT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.
THIS REPORT RAISES NO ISSUES REQUIRING DISCUSSION.)
7. JOINT COMMITTEE FOR POLITICO-MILITARY ADMINISTRATIVE
AFFAIRS (SEE TEXT OF REPORT).
(THIS COMMITTEE DEALS WITH THE FULL RANGE OF STATUS-OF-
FORCES MATTERS AND UTILIZATION OF THE U.S. MILITARY
FACILITIES ON SPANISH BASES. IT IS THE MOST ACTIVE
COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL. THE REPORT REVEALS THAT SEVERAL
EARLY TASKS ASSIGNED THE COMMITTEE BY THE TREATY AND THE
AGREEMENT IN IMPLEMENTATION HAVE NOT YET BEEN CARRIED OUT;
HOWEVER, THIS IS BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT AND THE REPORT
RAISES NO ISSUES REQUIRING DISCUSSION. THE REPORT, IN
NOTING THE SPANISH DESIRE FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE
U.S. UNITS IN SPAIN AND PROBLEMS IN DEVELOPING AN AGREED
INVENTORY OF THE U.S. FACILITIES--ITEMS II A AND B--
REFLECTS THE STRONG SPANISH DESIRE IN THE TREATY
NEGOTIATIONS AND SINCE TO GAIN GREATER, AND MORE
CENTRALIZED, CONTROL OVER U.S. MILITARY ACTIVITIES IN
SPAIN. THIS HAS NOT YET BECOME TROUBLESOME IN IMPORTANT
WAYS. THE SECRETARY MIGHT WISH TO
--EXPRESS GRATIFICATION FOR THE ARRANGEMENTS MADE--
SEE ITEM II C--FOR US NAVY NUCLEAR-POWERED SHIPS
TO VISIT SPANISH PORTS.)
B. ESTABLISHMENT OF DATE FOR INAUGURATION OF THE COMBINED
MILITARY COORDINATION AND PLANNING STAFF (SEE
ITEM II A 2 ABOVE).

III. GENERAL DISCUSSION.
A. REMARKS BY FOREIGN MINISTER OREJA.
(OREJA MAY USE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS, INTER ALIA,
SPANISH TIES TO EUROPE AND THE ATLANTIC COMMUNITY. HE
MAY ALSO WISH, BRIEFLY, TO ELICIT U.S. VIEWS CONCERNING
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DEVELOPMENTS ELSEWHERE, SUCH AS AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST, TO THE EXTENT THESE HAVE NOT BEEN DISCUSSED IN HIS PRIVATE MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY.)
B. REMARKS BY THE SECRETARY.
(THE SECRETARY MAY WISH TO DISCUSS, INTER ALIA, THE RECENT ECONOMIC SUMMIT MEETING, THE SPRING NATO MEETING, AND RECENT U.S. INITIATIVES WITH THE SOVIET UNION. WITH RESPECT TO THE NATO MEETING, ALAN HOLMES OF RPM WILL ALSO BE BRIEFING THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION WITH NATO.)

IV. APPROVAL OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE (DRAFT PREPARED BY PERMANENT SECRETARIAT).
(AGREEMENT SHOULD BE REACHED ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR RELEASING THE TEXT, ONCE EDITED BY THE COUNCIL. IN THIS CONTEXT, THE FOREIGN MINISTER AND THE SECRETARY MAY WISH TO DISCUSS THE GENERAL TIME FRAME FOR THEIR NEXT SEMIANNUAL PLENARY MEETING. THE SPANISH WILL PROBABLY STRONGLY PREFER HOLDING THIS MEETING IN MADRID, WHICH IS THE SEAT OF THE COUNCIL.)
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